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# BIG SEWER WILL BE READY JAN. 1

## Record Enrollment Predicted When Schools Open Next Monday

### NEW UNITS READY AT SCHOOL

Gym and New Wing Add Greatly to Facilities Under Wood

MOST TEACHERS RETURN Facilities at Elementary and Upper School Almost Same as Last Year

Torrance school will open next Monday morning. Anticipating a record enrollment when the High School opens, Principal Herbert Wood will follow closely the schedule arranged last June and believes that much of the confusion usual during the first few days will be avoided.

At Assembly in the auditorium at 8 o'clock, preliminary announcements will be made, and explanations of new room numbers will be given, and the balance of the day will be devoted to the regular schedule.

Seventh graders who inevitably get helplessly lost, will be cheered to learn that they will be taken in tow by their class teachers and speedily initiated into the mysteries of the high school.

Two additions to the school since last June include a large, completely equipped gymnasium with ball-courts which will seat 800 spectators; a smaller gymnasium room to be used as a girls' corrective gymnasium and for nursing classes; six new class rooms; a library; a new study hall; the school commercial department; and the student body office room for use of the treasurer and other officers.

### Observations

Coolidge's Tough Job in Washington—The Next Congress—Strategy of Pre-Convention Days—Will the League Slap the Monroe Doctrine?

By W. HAROLD KINGSLEY

CALVIN has packed his ten-gallon hat and his wild west uniform in a Massachusetts trunk and is all set to take up the most arduous duties of his public career. We do not envy him his job.

Washington is literally seething with politics. The next session of Congress will be the most riotous since Senator Lodge and his embattled cohorts bog-tied the Treaty of Versailles. How we should love to sit in the gallery and watch the Senate tussle over the Vane and Smith controversy, the fat treasury surplus, the Mississippi relief riddle, the water-power monopoly and the engaging, all-consuming question of the identity of the next President of the United States.

There will be forty-eight Republicans and forty-seven Democrats in the Senate, with Shipstead, Farmer-Labor member sitting in the well-known driver's seat. The farm bloc's penchant for voting with neither party regularly, and the fact that in the ranks of both Republicans and Democrats there are several who seldom vote with the organization combine to fashion promise of the hottest of hot times—fanned to record high temperature by the fact that the country will elect a President in 1928.

WHILE Congressional leaders are girding themselves for the fray high eminences are crowded with willing candidates for the party Presidential nominations. The Republican contest is the most interesting. Coolidge, we are convinced, will not run. When a New Englander "does not choose" he means that he won't. Without doubt the President will shortly be. It is known that he would not accept the nomination, if it were proffered. As soon as he does the race will open at full speed.

Already a nation-wide organization of vast proportions and tremendous influence is ready to touch the button of a huge machinery in favor of Herbert Hoover. Already Lowden and Dawes seem to have adopted an astute strategy. Already "Willing Watson" has indicated his reluctance to turn down the nomination if "the people" should insist on his nomination. Already Nicholas Longworth has made a turn about the country engaged in the pastime of making speeches. In addition to these gentlemen—two of whom would make good presidents—there are forty-eight members of the United States Senate on the Republican side, whose fluttering breasts vibrate with fond if vain hopes.

### P. E. Jolts Cabrillo Plan TO INSIST ON TRACK CURBING

Puts Cost to Railroad Company at \$137,360 Before Paving Starts

ASKS \$62,500 FOR LAND Agrees to Abandon Redondo Boulevard Route Too if City Pays Price

P. E. Jolts, general manager of the Pacific Electric Railway Company delivered a jolt to hopes for early realization of the Cabrillo-Eschelman route to the sea through Torrance and Lomita when he notified Mayor John Dennis what compensation the traction corporation would demand if the project is to be carried out. He further declared that the company will object to the Cabrillo avenue improvement "most strenuously."

In case the proceedings go forward the Pacific Electric, the private states, will insist that "the private rights of way curbed off from adjacent highways must be preserved at all costs, if the rapid transit facilities of the future are to be protected."

In case Cabrillo avenue were paved, the cost of improving trackage, according to the company's estimates would be \$61,360; that of improving overhead trolley system \$13,500; that of reimbursing the company for 50 percent of the right of way \$62,500. The total cost, he said, if the improvement was even started, is placed by the company at \$137,360.

The Jolts letter declares that the company would not object to the rounding off of the station property to provide a route from Western avenue to Cabrillo avenue, providing the company is "awarded the cost of changes, proper operating rights preserved and 50 percent of the value of the right of way condemned."

The letter is somewhat ambiguous as to the Cabrillo avenue improvement, for while it states the company will object to the work it adds in another paragraph that the company "should maintain a single track private right of way curbed in." Part of the company's right of way on Cabrillo is wide enough for double tracks. It is considered possible, from the Jolts letter, that if the company were allowed to curb off a single-track right of way, the balance could be condemned and paved without objection from the company.

In the Jolts letter the company goes on record as willing to abandon the right of way on Redondo Boulevard from Sartori avenue westward providing the company is reimbursed to the extent of \$47,630 for track and overhead work and half the value of the right of way. This cost would include preparation of the dangerous crossing from El Prado to Post avenue for paving. Officials here assert that this proposition is by no means acceptable to the city and will not be considered for a moment. As regards the problem at this crossing it is likely that the municipality will deal directly through the railroad commission without further negotiations with the company.

### WEDDED FOR 60 YEARS

Lomita Couple Happy, Loving, Contented After Three Score Years of Wedded Life



Mr. and Mrs. John Munger, After 60 Years of Wedded Happiness

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Munger of 258 Chestnut street have issued cards to a reception to be held Saturday, Sept. 10, in honor of their 60th wedding anniversary. Mr. Munger and Sara J. Porter were married in Dundee, Michigan, their birthplaces, and where their son Harry (now residing in Lomita) was also born. Their marriage occurred while Mr. Munger was still suffering from wounds received at Athens, Alabama during the Civil War.

### Pet. Sec. Wallops Comedians In First Inter-league Series Game Between Title Holders

Petroleum Securities, champions of the Oil Field League, eased a scorching away from Murphy's Comedians of the Union Tool Company, Playground League title holders, in the first game of the inter-league series Tuesday night. The score was 4 to 3.

It was a very warm session of baseball with Robins of Petroleum Securities pulling a Frank Merriwell in the seventh that set the Funmakers down for the count. Union Tool slugged a run across in the third, and Pet. Sec. tied it up in the fourth. The Comedians recovered quickly and dashed around the circuit twice more, to make the score 3 to 1. They had the lead on ice until the seventh, when Robins cracked out a two-bagger and scored three runs in presto time.

Atwood and Hodge comprised the Union Tool battery, while Leech, Sleppy and Eddie worked for Petroleum Securities. Two more games of the inter-league series are scheduled for next week, with Union Tool and Petroleum Securities in the leading roles. Previous to their defeat by Petroleum Securities, the Comedians had rolled up an imposing record of 12 straight victories, having romped over Pacific Electric Thursday, and finally trampling on the Globe Bakery of Lomita Friday to win the Playground League championship. In the Playground (twilight) series Union Tool was never defeated. The Funmakers donned the Playground crown for the second successive year.

The Lomita Bakery boys took an 8 to 3 trimming in the championship final with Union Tool. The Comedians' victory was due in large part to the brilliant pitching of Atwood, and Casper's sparkling work at third. Sleppy pounded out a home run with two on bases. Hodge was on the receiving end for the Comedians. Yelovich and Gerhart were the Globe Bakery battery.

### GREAT ENGINEERING PROJECT IS RUSHED

Huge Main Sewer Approaches Disposal Plant Mile East of Harbor City—Purifying Unit Is Well Under Way

TORRANCE TRUNK LINE WILL BE DONE SOON City Officials Welcome Certainty of Early Completion as Local Farm and Equipment Daily Prove More Inadequate

The inadequate sewer farm will die a natural death with the advent of 1928. Torrance will make connection with the great Metropolitan sewer system not later than Jan. 1. Work on the huge county main, the purifying plant and the Torrance trunk line is progressing rapidly.

The status of improvements which must be completed before Torrance can hook the municipal system to the trunk line was as follows this week: The disposal plant a mile east of Harbor City and just north of Westcott street is well under way, with foundations in and framework almost ready to start.

The huge main sewer to serve all districts in the county will be completed by Dec. 1. The largest steam shovel ever used in Southern California is now operating a mile from the disposal plant and is being followed closely by the sewer-construction gangs. The Torrance trunk line to connect with the main will be completed by the end of the year. The Torrance trunk line which connects with the main will be completed by the end of the year. The Torrance trunk line which connects with the main will be completed by the end of the year.

### Torrance Fiesta Is Huge Success

The Torrance Fiesta and Automobile Show which closed last Saturday night was successful from every standpoint, according to Legionnaires in charge of the event. Record crowds thronged the midway and the exposition tent all through the week. Exhibitors in the automobile show reported many sales of cars and expressed themselves as highly pleased with the event.

The proceeds from the Fiesta will be used by the Legion club-house on Carson street. While the accounts have not been completely settled, Legionnaires estimate that the post netted between \$750 and \$1,000 from the event. R. J. Deinger, commander of the post and M. J. Fix, general chairman of the Fiesta committee issued the following statement: "On behalf of the Bert S. Crossland Post, American Legion, we wish to express our hearty appreciation to all who helped make this year's Fiesta such a successful event. The public responded generously and proved to exhibitors that the Torrance Fiesta is an event which contributes in a large measure to the progress of our city. In the crowd which attended the event were hundreds from territory adjacent to the city. Exhibitors were delighted to make many new friends, both among new residents of Torrance and among persons who reside outside the Torrance limits. Again we wish to thank the exhibitors and the public for their support. The Bert S. Crossland Post is in charge of the first, last and all the time."

### Night School to Open on Monday; Curriculum Wide

Schedule of Classes Will Be Announced in Herald Next Week

Torrance Evening High School will open its most ambitious year next Monday. The session will run from 7 to 9 p. m. and the classes will be held on different evenings to meet the needs of more students. All instruction is free with the exception of book deposits in some courses and a nominal charge for gas used in welding classes.

There will be a meeting of the evening school faculty at 6 p. m. on Monday, after which enrollments will be made in the various classes. Definite evenings and teacher assignments will be announced next week. The school enrolled over 300 adults last year and with new courses, new teachers, and the new splendid gymnasium building it is expected that this number will be exceeded this year. Information may be obtained by telephoning 36W during the daytime or 36J in the evening. Subjects to be offered include bookkeeping, stenography, typing, cooking, millinery, dressmaking, leather work and red work, wood-union cabinet work, auto mechanics, machine shop and welding, Spanish, English and short story writing, mathematics and public speaking, dramatic club, Principal William M. B. H. is in charge of the evening classes.

Advertisement for Bill the Barber, featuring a cartoon character and text: "BILL THE BARBER SAYS A RIDE IN A PLANE WILL BE THE CLOSEST TO HEAVEN MANY PEOPLE WILL GET."